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TOPIC GROSSENHAIN Airfield

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b. All motor vehicles were occupied by Soviet Air Force drivers.

2. According to airfield workers, the new unit had four hundred men who were to recondition the field for future reoccupation. Bomber units equipped with jet bombers were expected to arrive after the construction of the runways (F-6).

3. One runway had been extended as far as to the GROSSENHAIN-ELSTERWERDA (N 52/A 03) road. Workers were grading an 100-foot wide area, on the northern border of the runway, which was possibly to be widened. The extension of the runway in the direction of VOIBERN (N 52/A 01) was completed. Two steam rollers still worked on the second runway extending in the direction of ADLERSHOF (N 52/A 01).

4. Excavation work on the western edge of the loading ramp was in full swing, but the purpose could not be learned. Sand was being hauled there. German workers were unloading ammunition boxes, about 8x20x60 inches, from seven railroad freight cars standing on the spur track.

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Comment:

a. The arrival of new units equipped with motor vehicles of unknown numbering series was stated by another source. + These

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units are probably component ground units of an air unit expected to arrive from Poland or the Soviet Union.

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The information, according to which jet bombers are expected to arrive in GROUSNIAN requires confirmation. No bomber unit equipped with jet aircraft is known. It cannot be stated whether the runway (about 6,200 feet after extension) will be long enough for take-offs and landings by jet bombers.

b. The completion of the extension work on the E-W runway was stated in a previous report ++. The grading work north of the western end of the E-W runway probably is preparatory to the construction of a runway head or the expansion of the runway. Another source reported in August 1949 that the runway, after being extended, will be widened.

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